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PROGRAMS IN AFGHANISTAN

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1. IN VIEW OF POSITIVE ATTITUDE SHOWN BY NEW AFGHAN  
GOVERNMENT TOWARDS UNFDAC PROGRAM DESCRIBED REFS C AND D,  
MISSION OFFICER RAISED AGAIN IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS  
WITH DR. REXED, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNFDAC AND DR. LING,  
DIRECTOR OF DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS, IDEA OF GOING  
AHEAD WITH CONSULTATIONS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FOR GENEVA  
JUNE 13 - 14 -15 ON US AND UN PROGRAMS IN AFGHANISTAN.  
MISSION OFFICER STRESSED POINT THAT EARLY CONSULTATIONS  
MIGHT BE ESPECIALLY TIMELY TO RESPOND TO GOA INTEREST IN  
PURSUING AND EXTENDING PRESENT LAW ENFORCEMENT PROJECT.  
MISSION OFFICER PRESENTED AGENDA SUGGESTED REF E AND  
REQUESTED THEIR COMMENTS, WHICH THEY AGREED TO PROVIDE.  
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2. DR. REXED REPLIED THAT HE WAS ENCOURAGED BY RECENT  
REPORTS FROM KABUL AND FEELS THERE IS HOPE FOR PROGRESS  
IN THE AFGHAN PROGRAM. HE IS IN PROCESS OF REQUESTING  
UNDP RESREP HOLCOMBE TO PROCURE A POLICY STATEMENT FROM  
THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT EXPRESSING SUPPORT NOT ONLY FOR  
THE FUND'S PRESENT PROJECTS BUT ALSO FOR THEIR EXPANSION.

SHOULD THE GOVERNMENT EXPRESS A POLICY FAVORING EXPANSION, REXED WOULD BE WILLING TO LEAD A HIGH LEVEL MISSION TO KABUL TO MANIFEST UNFDAC INTEREST IN THE FUTURE OF ITS AFGHAN PROGRAM AND TO WORK OUT POLICY MATTERS WITH THE AFGHANS.

3. WITH RESPECT TO US/UN CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA ON THE AFGHAN PROGRAM, REXED STATED THAT THESE COULD BE USEFUL IF THEY WERE RESTRICTED TO EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION TO COORDINATE RESPECTIVE PROGRAMS AND DID NOT INVOLVE POLICY MATTERS, AND IF THE NEW AFGHAN GOVERNMENT HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO SUCH US/UN CONSULTATIONS. IF THESE REQUIREMENTS WERE MET, REXED WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EMBASSY KABUL'S ASSESSMENT OF WHEN, IN LIGHT OF RECENT CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT, WOULD BE THE BEST TIME TO SCHEDULE GENEVA CONSULTATIONS.

4. DR. LING ALSO NOTED POTENTIAL VALUE OF INFORMAL US/UN CONSULTATIONS, BUT STRESSED NEED FOR SEEKING CONCURRENCE OF NEW AFGHAN GOVERNMENT TO AVOID ITS INFERRING THAT US AND UN WERE EXCLUDING IT FROM DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING PROGRAMS ON ITS TERRITORY. HE POINTED OUT THAT NEW GOVERNMENT, IN CONTRAST TO PREVIOUS, MAY WISH TO HAVE OBSERVER PRESENT AT DISCUSSIONS AND INQUIRED HOW US WOULD REACT TO SUCH A REQUEST.

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5. COMMENT. DR. REXED APPEARS DETERMINED TO KEEP CURRENT AFGHAN NARCOTICS PROGRAM ON TRACK AND TO RESPOND AFFIRMATIVELY AND CREATIVELY TO ANY GOVERNMENTAL REQUEST FOR EXPANSION. DRS. REXED AND LING BOTH RECOGNIZE POTENTIAL VALUE OF US/UN CONSULTATIONS TO COORDINATE THEIR AFGHAN PROGRAMS SO LONG AS THEY WERE HELD IN MANNER WHICH RESPECTED NEW GOVERNMENT'S SENSITIVITIES. END COMMENT.

6. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE AMEMB KABUL'S THOUGHTS ON HOW BEST THEIR CONCERNS CAN BE MET AND ON WHETHER TIMING OF CONSULTATIONS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED REF B (JUNE 13-14-15) WOULD STILL BE APPROPRIATE OR SHOULD BE DELAYED TO PERMIT FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF SITUATION. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON PRESENT STATUS VIS-A-VIS NEW GOVERNMENT OF MAROOFI AND OF JOINT COMMISSION. SORENSON

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